

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-7. (Cancelled)

8. (New) A valve for controlling a fluid, comprising:

a valve housing having a housing sleeve;

a seating plate;

a valve seat situated on the seating plate;

an armature;

an electromagnetic actuator for the armature which is guided in an axially displaceable manner and which cooperates with the valve seat situated on the seating plate so that a fluid flow through outflow orifices in the seating plate is controllable; and

an armature sleeve situated in the housing sleeve, the armature being guided along the armature sleeve.

9. (New) The valve according to claim 8, wherein the fluid is a gas.

10. (New) The valve according to claim 8, wherein the armature sleeve is connected to the seating plate via a press-fit connection.

11. (New) The valve according to claim 8, wherein the armature sleeve is welded to the seating plate.

12. (New) The valve according to claim 8, wherein the armature sleeve is manufactured in one piece together with the seating plate and forms a deep-draw part.

13. (New) The valve according to claim 8, further comprising at least one guide collar for guiding the armature in the armature sleeve.

14. (New) The valve according to claim 8, wherein an area of the armature having an enlarged diameter is situated outside the armature sleeve.

15. (New) The valve according to claim 14, wherein the area having an enlarged diameter is guided along the housing sleeve.